House Resolution No. 1489

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have admirably dedicated their time and energy to serving others in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Earle Bennett of Centralia enjoys selection as the 2004 Citizen of the Year by the Centralia Chamber of Commerce which will grant him honors and accolades on April 15, 2004, at its Annual Dinner in the Holy Spirit Catholic Church's multipurpose building; and

Whereas, Earle Bennett has served as a teacher and coach for Centralia public schools for the past ten years; and

Whereas, coach of the 2003 Class 2 State Champion football team, Earle Bennett also has distinguished himself as the Missouri Football Coaches Association Coach of the Year for 2002 and 2003, Clarence Cannon Conference Coach of the Year 2002 and 2003, KRES Coach of the Year for 2002 and 2003, and Columbia Tribune Coach of the Year for 2002 and 2003; and

Whereas, in addition to his active participation in Holy Spirit Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus, Earle Bennett has developed and maintained an exceptional reputation as an outstanding ambassador for the Centralia community; and

Whereas, Earle Bennett is a graduate of Cameron High School and Northwest Missouri State University who has galvanized the community and his football players to reach the highest standards of conduct and performance in life; and

Whereas, as an educator and mentor, Earle Bennett follows a standard that creates an environment in which all children are encouraged to succeed:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Earle Bennett as the Centralia Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon reaching this milestone in his life and our best wishes for a future filled with continued success; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Earle Bennett of Centralia, Missouri.

Offered by _	
	epresentative Wes Shoemyer District No. 9

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1489, adopted April 6, 2004.